

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	09/401,495	MARSCHOLL, KLAUS
	Examiner Gregory J. Strimbu	Art Unit 3634

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Gregory J. Strimbu. (3) _____.

(2) Matthew Stavish. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 23 March 2004.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: Proposed claim 1 (*Copy attached*)

Identification of prior art discussed: Kimura et al.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed defining the mounting structure as an X shaped member interconnecting the first and second guides and being homogenously formed therewith. Such changes would appear to overcome the rejection of record. Applicant agreed to submit a response in accordance with after final practice.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

**GREGORY J. STRIMBU
PRIMARY EXAMINER**



Examiner's signature, if required

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Summary of Record of Interview Requirements

Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Section 713.04, Substance of Interview Must be Made of Record

A complete written statement as to the substance of any face-to-face, video conference, or telephone interview with regard to an application must be made of record in the application whether or not an agreement with the examiner was reached at the interview.

Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 1.133 Interviews Paragraph (b)

In every instance where reconsideration is requested in view of an interview with an examiner, a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action must be filed by the applicant. An interview does not remove the necessity for reply to Office action as specified in §§ 1.111, 1.135. (35 U.S.C. 132)

37 CFR §1.2 Business to be transacted in writing.

All business with the Patent or Trademark Office should be transacted in writing. The personal attendance of applicants or their attorneys or agents at the Patent and Trademark Office is unnecessary. The action of the Patent and Trademark Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. No attention will be paid to any alleged oral promise, stipulation, or understanding in relation to which there is disagreement or doubt.

The action of the Patent and Trademark Office cannot be based exclusively on the written record in the Office if that record is itself incomplete through the failure to record the substance of interviews.

It is the responsibility of the applicant or the attorney or agent to make the substance of an interview of record in the application file, unless the examiner indicates he or she will do so. It is the examiner's responsibility to see that such a record is made and to correct material inaccuracies which bear directly on the question of patentability.

Examiners must complete an Interview Summary Form for each interview held where a matter of substance has been discussed during the interview by checking the appropriate boxes and filling in the blanks. Discussions regarding only procedural matters, directed solely to restriction requirements for which interview recordation is otherwise provided for in Section 812.01 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, or pointing out typographical errors or unreadable script in Office actions or the like, are excluded from the interview recordation procedures below. Where the substance of an interview is completely recorded in an Examiners Amendment, no separate Interview Summary Record is required.

The Interview Summary Form shall be given an appropriate Paper No., placed in the right hand portion of the file, and listed on the "Contents" section of the file wrapper. In a personal interview, a duplicate of the Form is given to the applicant (or attorney or agent) at the conclusion of the interview. In the case of a telephone or video-conference interview, the copy is mailed to the applicant's correspondence address either with or prior to the next official communication. If additional correspondence from the examiner is not likely before an allowance or if other circumstances dictate, the Form should be mailed promptly after the interview rather than with the next official communication.

The Form provides for recordation of the following information:

- Application Number (Series Code and Serial Number)
- Name of applicant
- Name of examiner
- Date of interview
- Type of interview (telephonic, video-conference, or personal)
- Name of participant(s) (applicant, attorney or agent, examiner, other PTO personnel, etc.)
- An indication whether or not an exhibit was shown or a demonstration conducted
- An identification of the specific prior art discussed
- An indication whether an agreement was reached and if so, a description of the general nature of the agreement (may be by attachment of a copy of amendments or claims agreed as being allowable). Note: Agreement as to allowability is tentative and does not restrict further action by the examiner to the contrary.
- The signature of the examiner who conducted the interview (if Form is not an attachment to a signed Office action)

It is desirable that the examiner orally remind the applicant of his or her obligation to record the substance of the interview of each case. It should be noted, however, that the Interview Summary Form will not normally be considered a complete and proper recordation of the interview unless it includes, or is supplemented by the applicant or the examiner to include, all of the applicable items required below concerning the substance of the interview.

A complete and proper recordation of the substance of any interview should include at least the following applicable items:

- 1) A brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration conducted,
- 2) an identification of the claims discussed,
- 3) an identification of the specific prior art discussed,
- 4) an identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed, unless these are already described on the Interview Summary Form completed by the Examiner,
- 5) a brief identification of the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the examiner,
(The identification of arguments need not be lengthy or elaborate. A verbatim or highly detailed description of the arguments is not required. The identification of the arguments is sufficient if the general nature or thrust of the principal arguments made to the examiner can be understood in the context of the application file. Of course, the applicant may desire to emphasize and fully describe those arguments which he or she feels were or might be persuasive to the examiner.)
- 6) a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed, and
- 7) if appropriate, the general results or outcome of the interview unless already described in the Interview Summary Form completed by the examiner.

Examiners are expected to carefully review the applicant's record of the substance of an interview. If the record is not complete and accurate, the examiner will give the applicant an extendable one month time period to correct the record.

Examiner to Check for Accuracy

If the claims are allowable for other reasons of record, the examiner should send a letter setting forth the examiner's version of the statement attributed to him or her. If the record is complete and accurate, the examiner should place the indication, "Interview Record OK" on the paper recording the substance of the interview along with the date and the examiner's initials.

Proposed Claims

1. A motor-vehicle window lift for lifting a window pane from a lower position to an upper position comprising:
 - a mounting structure (2) formed with two substantially parallel first and second guides (6, 7),
 - a drive system (4) for actuating a lift operating condition,
 - a cable system (8) having two cable segments (3, 5) running substantially parallel to each other,
 - a plurality of several reversing rollers (10) for the cable system (8) and
 - two slides actuators (12, 13) for the window pane, each slide affixed to a respective one of the cable segments (3, 5), said two slides actuators (12, 13) being displaceably guided and slidably fixed respectively directly to said first and second guides (6, 7) on the mounting structure (2), wherein
 - each of said two slides actuators (12, 13) is provided with a slide component respectively guided in a window lift guide said first and second guides, the slide component for each of said two slides actuators being rigidly connected to each other by a said rigid coupling such that the slide components are non-movably and non-pivotsally fixed to the rigid coupling.
2. A window lift as claimed in claim 1, wherein the two actuators (12, 13) are integrally joined to each other by a crossbar (14) forming said rigid coupling (11).
4. A window lift as claimed in claim 1, wherein the width of the mounting structure (2) is less than approximately 2/3 the width of the window pane.

5. A motor-vehicle window lift for lifting a window pane from a lower position to an upper position comprising a mounting structure (2), a drive member (4), a cable system (8) having two cable segments (3, 5) running substantially parallel to each other, several reversing rollers (10) for the cable system (8) and first and second actuators (12, 13) for the window pane, each affixed to a respective one of the cable segments (3, 5), said first actuator being displaceably guided and slidably fixed directly to at least one guide (6, 7) on the mounting structure (2), wherein the first and second actuators (12, 13) are connected to each other by a rigid coupling (11) such that the actuators are non-movably and non-pivottally fixed to the rigid coupling in a lift operating condition, and wherein

said second actuator is affixed to a respective one of the cable segments (3, 5) remote from the at least one guide (6, 7) such that said second actuator is not guided by said at least one guide (6, 7).

6. A window lift as claimed in claim 5, wherein the two actuators (12, 13) each are displaceably guided and slidably fixed directly to first and second guides (6, 7), respectively of said at least one guide (6, 7).

8. A window lift as claimed in claim 5, wherein the at least one guide is secured by at least one of screws, rivets and welds onto the mounting structure (2).

10. A window lift as claimed in claim 5, wherein said reversing rollers (10) are used at end zones of the mounting structure (2) and in that the cable system (8) is a single-cable system running over all reversing rollers (10).

12. A window lift as claimed claim 5, wherein the actuators (12, 13) are integrally joined to each other by a crossbar (14) defining said rigid coupling.

13. A motor-vehicle window lift for lifting a window pane from a lower position to an upper position comprising:

a mounting structure (2) formed with two substantially parallel first and second guides (6, 7),

a drive system (4) for actuating a lift operating condition,

a cable system (8) having two cable segments (3, 5) running substantially parallel to each other,

a plurality of several reversing rollers (10) for the cable system (8) and

two slides actuators (12, 13) for the window pane, each slide affixed to a respective one of the cable segments (3, 5), said two slides actuators (12, 13) being displaceably guided and slidably fixed respectively directly to said first and second guides (6, 7) on the mounting structure (2), wherein

the two slides actuators (12, 13) are each provided with a slide component guided in a ~~window lift guide~~ said first and second guides (6, 7), the slide components being rigidly connected to each other by a rigid coupling (11) such that the slide components are non-movably and non-pivotsly fixed to the rigid coupling, and the window pane is connected to the actuators slides (12, 13).

14. A window lift as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~the separation a distance between~~
parallel segments of the cable segments (3, 5) is less than approximately 2/3 the width of the
window pane.